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JUMPED THE TRACK.

Six Persons Killed and 11 Injured on a Traction Railway.

The Side of the Rapidly Moving Car Was Torn Away By Coming in Contact With Guy Pole.

Allentown, Pa., Dec. 24.—Six persons were killed and a number injured Monday night by an electric car jumping the track at a sharp curve at the foot of a high mountain between here and Coopersburg. The accident was due to the car hitting a pole.

The dead, Rev. Tobias Keeler, aged 60, an unattached Reformed church clergyman; Albert Yeager, of Allentown, aged 40; Mrs. Dr. Jacob Fetter, of Coopersburg, aged 35; Mrs. John Fetter, of Coopersburg, aged 30; Mrs. John Fetter, of Coopersburg, aged 30; Mrs. John Fetter, of Coopersburg, aged 30.

The injured: William Pfeiffer, of Allentown, left arm fractured; John D. Witt, proprietor of the Hotel, left arm fractured; Mrs. J. B. Witt, right arm fractured; Mrs. J. B. Witt, right arm fractured; Mrs. J. B. Witt, right arm fractured.

The car, which was carrying about 50 persons, was traveling at a high rate of speed when it jumped the track and hit the pole.

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RATHBUN FOUND GUILTY.

The Jury Convicted Him of Manslaughter—Asked For New Trial.

Jeffersonville, Ind., Dec. 24.—Nowell C. Rathbun, who was tried on the charge of murdering Charles Goodman by giving him poison, was found guilty by a jury at 10 o'clock Monday night of manslaughter and his punishment was fixed at two to fourteen years in the penitentiary. The jury had been considering the case since Saturday afternoon at 3:15 o'clock. Rathbun's attorneys asked for a new trial and the motion will be argued later.

Charles Goodman, Rathbun's alleged victim, was found dead last month in a hotel in this city, after he had spent some time with Rathbun. His body was shipped to Little Rock, Ark., where Rathbun's wife lives as that of Rathbun, on whose life an insurance policy for \$10,000 had been issued. Following the discovery of the body, Rathbun's wife came to Louisville, where he had enlisted under another name in the United States army. The corpse was later identified as that of Charles Goodman, a wanderer, who came to Louisville from Evansville, Ind., and met Rathbun in front of the Salvation army headquarters here.

SHARP FIGHTING.

Three Engagements Between the British and the Boers.

London, Dec. 24.—Lord Kitchener, in a dispatch from Johannesburg dated Saturday, December 21, sends reports of sharp fighting in the Orange river and Transvaal colonies. The engagements occurred between 18, 19 and 20, at points widely apart. The casualties, so far as known, aggregate about 150, equally divided, but heavy British losses, the totals of which have not yet been reported, have occurred in the Transvaal.

As further details have been received here of the fighting in South Africa. The news received Monday confirms the newspapers that it is hopeless to expect peace in the immediate future. That this is also the general view of the situation is apparent from the fact that between now and January the drafts of troops proceeding to South Africa from home and from the colonies aggregate 150,000 men.

MRS. "JENNIE JUNE" CROLY.

The Aged Journalist and Organizer Succumbed to Heart Failure.

New York, Dec. 24.—Mrs. Jennie June Croly, journalist and organizer of women's clubs, died Monday in this city from heart failure. Mrs. Croly, who was 72 years old, was born in England. She became a newspaper writer in this city under the name of Jennie June in 1885, and achieved a wide reputation. She organized Sorosis over 20 years ago and through her efforts the federation of women's clubs in this country was formed. At the time of her death Mrs. Croly was president of the New York Women's Press club.

ADM. CERVEHA.

The Spanish Officer Sent a Christmas Gift to Vice General O'Callaghan.

Concord, N. H., Dec. 24.—Very Rev. O. M. O'Callaghan, vicar general of the diocese of New Hampshire, has received a Christmas gift from Admiral Cerbera. It is a calendar containing an engraving of the admiral and members of his family. On the outside is a gold plate suitably inscribed. After the Spanish war many sailors were imprisoned on islands in Porto Rico, then a prison at Portsmouth attended them spiritually.

GAS IN MINNESOTA.

The Fluid Discovered While Drilling a Well Near Pelican Rapids.

Pelican Rapids, Minn., Dec. 24.—Edgar Gardner, while drilling a well on the farm of Willet Brunk, near Pelican Rapids Monday, struck a vein of gas which came up with a terrific noise and when it lighted turned to a great flame. The flame was finally extinguished and the gas was pumped out. It is a gas which is only two inches in diameter, was closed an investigation will be made to ascertain whether the gas exists in any considerable quantities.

Mrs. Frank Leslie Ill.

New York, Dec. 24.—Mrs. Frank Leslie, who has been ill for some time, was taken to Roosevelt hospital and occupied one of the private rooms. It could not be learned what Mrs. Leslie's ailment was, but it was said she was resting more comfortably than when admitted.

Death of Wm. E. Channing.

Concord, Mass., Dec. 24.—William Ellery Channing, the last of the brotherhood, including Theodore Tilton, Hawthorne and Emerson, who made Concord famous, died Monday. He was born in Boston November 29, 1781.

American Fox Hunters' Association.

Philadelphia, Dec. 24.—At a meeting of representatives of the several fox hunting clubs in this vicinity Monday night steps were taken looking to the formation of a national organization to be known as the American Fox Hunters' association.

Murderer Electrocuted.

Boston, Dec. 24.—Francis William Linn, a man who was convicted of the murder of a woman, was electrocuted at the state prison, Charlestown, at 12 o'clock Tuesday morning for the murder of Katherine Jendrick in Granby on December 21, 1899.

Presented to President De Ruyter.

Lima, Peru, Dec. 24.—Via Galveston.—Capt. Perry and the officers of the United States battleship Iowa, were presented to President De Ruyter, of Peru, Monday by Richard R. Neill, secretary of the American legation here.

Post Office Burned. Washington, Dec. 24.—The post office at Ridgeway, Tex., was burned with all its contents early Monday morning. The post office at Dixon, Okla., was robbed Saturday. No particulars were given.

CONGRESS ADJOURNED.

Will Reconvene Again After the Holiday Season.

Bill to Revive the Grade of Vice Admiral and Appointing Adm. Schley, Sampson and Clark to That Rank.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Senate.—Among the bills introduced Wednesday were two by Senator Nelson providing for industrial schools. The first of these authorizes the appropriation of money for the establishment of schools for the industrial education of the youth of the country in every county of over 5,000 population in each state of the union. The second provides a system of education for the recently acquired lands. For this system of schools \$1,000,000 is suggested for the district of Columbia and \$15,000,000 for the other territories and the Philippines and the territories. Among the other bills introduced was one by Senator Penrose leaving a duty of 25 per cent and valorem on all imports of minerals and mining. The bill to provide revenue (temporarily for the Philippine islands) passed the house by a vote of 163 to 127. The bill to provide revenue (temporarily for the Philippine islands) passed the house by a vote of 163 to 127.

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BURNED TO DEATH.

Four Members of a Pennsylvania Family Perished in a Fire.

Dubois, Pa., Dec. 23.—Word reached here Sunday of a terrible holocaust that occurred about three miles from Summerville, Jefferson county, Saturday morning. The home of John Ashbaugh, a farmer, was destroyed by fire and four persons were burned to death. One other is burned in such a manner that recovery is very doubtful, and four others are seriously burned and injured.

The dead are: William Ashbaugh, 22 years old, a brother of the owner of the Ashbaugh home; Maybel Ashbaugh, a 12-year-old daughter; Harry Ashbaugh, a 10-year-old son; James Ashbaugh, a 3-year-old son.

The injured: Herman Ashbaugh, 8 years old, recovery doubtful; Mrs. Ashbaugh, seriously burned, less than 24 hours; John Ashbaugh, the husband and father, seriously burned and suffering from exposure; two young children, painfully burned.

The fire happened at an early hour in the morning and the fire was undoubtedly caused by an overheated stove.

The family were sleeping and Mr. Ashbaugh being awakened by the smell of smoke, hastened to arouse the other members of the family. He ran out of the house with the two smallest children and returned for the others. He was, however, driven back by the flames, and the other members being bewildered perished in the flames, except Mrs. Ashbaugh, who jumped from a second-story and sustained serious injury.

GEN. ALGER'S CONDITION.

An Operation Was Performed For the Removal of Gall Stones.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 23.—An operation was performed Sunday on Gen. R. A. Alger, former secretary of war, for the removal of gall stones. The operation was performed by Dr. J. C. McKeen, who has been attending Gen. Alger since he was injured in a fall from a horse on Sunday afternoon that he had recovered almost entirely from the shock. His temperature was 101.5, pulse 76, temperature 98.8, spirits good. The following official statement was issued by the surgeons in regard to the operation:

"A condition of infected gall bladder was present, as the result of gall stones. There were many adhesions about the gall bladder, which was opened and drained. Gen. Alger's condition is serious, but he stood the operation well."

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 24.—At 4 a. m. the following bulletin was given out by the surgeons attending Gen. Alger:

"Gen. Alger's condition is favorable. Pulse 76, temperature 98.8, spirits good. He is suffering less pain than at any time since the operation was performed."

A FATAL QUARREL.

Three Deaths Will Be the Result of a Shooting in Tennessee.

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 24.—Three deaths will be the result of the shooting of Dave S. Payne, near Hickman, Tenn., by a party of hunters. Payne was shot in the chest, having broken jail at Benton, Tenn., while charged with murder. Payne's wife, who was seriously ill, sent Payne's brother to tell her husband to come to him from his mountain hiding place and see her. When with him, Payne was a fugitive from justice, having broken jail at Benton, Tenn., while charged with murder. Payne's wife, who was seriously ill, sent Payne's brother to tell her husband to come to him from his mountain hiding place and see her. When with him, Payne was a fugitive from justice, having broken jail at Benton, Tenn., while charged with murder.

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STATE NEWS PICK-UPS.

THE SPRING MEETING.

New Louisville Jockey Club Has Announced Its List of Stakes.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 21.—The new Louisville jockey club has announced its list of stakes, which close on Monday, February 8, 1902, to be run at the spring meeting of 1902, and the Derby, Oaks and Nursery stakes for 1903. There will be 21 days' racing in the spring and nine stakes are to be run, including the Derby, Oaks and Oaks, besides the Nursery, a new 100,000 event for 2-year-olds. The stakes are as follows:

The Clark handicap for 2-year-olds and upwards, \$15,000 added.

The Debutante for 2-year-old fillies, \$10,000 added, 4 furlongs.

The Bashford Major stakes for 2-year-old colts and geldings, \$10,000 added, 4 furlongs.

The Blue Grass stakes for 3-year-olds, \$10,000 added, 5 furlongs.

The Frank Fehr stakes, selling for 2-year-olds and upwards, \$10,000 added, 1 mile.

The Kentucky Derby for 1903, \$25,000; mile and a quarter.

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ARMED MEN AT THE DOOR.

Farmers at Cold Springs Resented the Sheriff and His Posse.

Newport, Ky., Dec. 21.—The board of health of Campbell county and also of Newport began to remove patients Friday to the branch hospital, which has been formerly known as the county infirmary at Cold Springs. When they arrived at the institution they found it surrounded by a force of armed men, who denied them admittance.

The armed force were farmers who lived near by, and their weapons were shotguns, rifles, revolvers, clubs and rocks.

Sheriff Miller was finally appealed to, and in the afternoon he took a number of deputies out to the place and drove every one off the place, but not until several serious clashes were narrowly averted. When the sheriff arrived at the front gate he found it nailed and 12 men against it. As the sheriff's party set out of their rags, they were all placed under arrest by a man named Arnold, whom County Judge Brown had appointed county patrolman. The sheriff laughed and then placed all of them under arrest.

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